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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong—Cholera—No communicable diseases.

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, November 12, as follows:

Week ended November 7, 1903: Ten vessels, with 844 crew and 883 passengers (195 cabin and 688 steerage), were inspected and granted bills of health; 414 crew and 598 steerage were bathed and their baggage disinfected—1,025 pieces; one vessel was fumigated to kill rats.

During the time covered by this report there were no communicable diseases reported.

Immigrants recommended for rejection.

Nineteen immigrants per steamship *China* for San Francisco were recommended, November 5, for rejection on account of trachoma.

CUBA.

Report from Habana.

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, December 10, as follows: Week ended December 5, 1903:

Vessels inspected and issued bills of health	30
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected	1,082
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected	465
Pieces of freight inspected	750

Mortuary report of Habana for week ended December 5, 1903.

Disease.	Number of deaths.
Tuberculosis	18
Pneumonia	4
Bronchitis	3
Scarlet fever	4
Meningitis	2
Tetanus	1
Malarial fever	1
Enteritis	1
Cancer	2

Total deaths from all causes, 110.

Report from Matanzas.—Diphtheria.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nunez reports, December 14, as follows: Week ended December 12, 1903. Two bills of health were issued to vessels leaving for the United States.

A new case of diphtheria was reported on the 10th instant on the outskirts of this city, where it is conveniently isolated. No other case of contagious or infectious disease has been reported.

Following are the mortuary statistics of the city of Matanzas during the first ten days of the present month.

	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Debility, congenital	2	151
Tuberculosis	3	27
Uræmia	1	120
Bright's disease	1	120
Insufficiency, mitral	1	79
Organic lesion of heart (unclassified)	2	79
Alcoholism	1	56
Senility	1	154
Meningitis	1	61
Broncho-pneumonia	1	92
Angina pectoris	1	80
Total	15	

Estimated population, 48,000; annual average of mortality per 1,000, 11.46.

Report from Santiago—Month of November, 1903—Death from leprosy—Improved sanitary conditions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, December 9, as follows:

Month ended November 30, 1903: Bills of health issued to 18 vessels, which is an increase of one over October.

The number of deaths was 65, which is a decrease compared with October, also lower than for November of 1901 and of 1902. There was 1 death from leprosy.

There were 2 cases of diphtheria and 2 of hæmoglobinuric fever, all of which recovered.

The condition of the city is about the same as last month, perhaps slightly improved, as the weather has been dry and the stagnant pools have been drying up.

Report for the month of November, 1903.

Bills of health issued	18
Crews	589
Passengers	269
Vessels quarantined	0
Vessels disinfected	0
Certificates issued:	
(a) Immune	0
(b) Nonimmune	0
Applicants for immune certificates rejected	0
Persons vaccinated	0
Pieces of baggage outbound:	
(a) Inspected	0
(b) Disinfected	0
Deaths from yellow fever	0
Deaths from other contagious diseases	[a] 1
Deaths from all causes (stillbirths not counted)	65
Cases of quarantinable diseases reported in city	0
Cases of other contagious diseases reported in city	[b] 2
Certificates issued for shipping remains of dead bodies to the United States	0

[a] Leprosy. [b] Diphtheria.